## MISSOURI ETHICS COMMISSION



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James Klahr
Executive Director

September 23, 2016

James Summers 1439 Silverton Pl St. Louis MO 63117

MEC No. 16-0027-I

Dear Mr. Summers:

Due to a typographical error, we are resending this letter to you.

The Missouri Ethics Commission reconsidered the complaint filed against you at its September 12, 2016 meeting. The complaint alleged that you distributed leaflets to oppose a tax measure placed before voters by the Maplewood Richmond Heights School District on the April 5, 2016 ballot. The complaint alleged that the leaflet did not include a paid for by disclosure as required by Section 130.031.8, RSMo.

The Commission had earlier referred the complaint to Commission Counsel based upon the evidence presented to the Commission at the time. Commission staff found the leaflet identified the ballot measure as Proposition Y and the district as the MRH School District but contained no paid for by disclosure. However, as staff looked further into the question of who was responsible for publishing, circulating or distributing the flyer, there was no firsthand evidence that you were responsible and you denied involvement.

From the facts presented, the Commission voted to withdraw its earlier referral and dismiss the complaint.

Sincerely,

James Klahr

**Executive Director**